

Service Date: April 21, 2016

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern)
Energy's 2015 Electricity Supply Resource)
Procurement Plan) DOCKET NO. N2015.11.91

**NOTICE OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY PROCUREMENT PLAN,
PUBLIC MEETING, AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**

On March 31, 2016, NorthWestern Corporation doing business as NorthWestern Energy (NWE) filed its 2015 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan (2015 Plan) with the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. §§ 69-8-419 to -420 and Mont. Admin. R. 38.8201-8229. *See* Notice of Commission Action (Dec. 9, 2015) (waiving deadline and granting NorthWestern's Motion for Extension).

Please take notice that, on **June 9, 2016**, the PSC will host a public meeting on NWE's 2015 Plan. The public meeting will lay the foundation for the PSC, the Montana Consumer Counsel, and stakeholders to "review, evaluate, and make recommendations on technical, economic, and policy issues related to electricity supply resource portfolio planning, management, and procurement." Mont. Admin. R. 38.5.8225. At the public meeting, Commissioners and staff may ask questions of participants. Pre-registration with a short abstract of your planned comments by **June 1, 2016**, through the methods for commenting described below is encouraged but not required; individuals who pre-register will be allotted time on an agenda to be issued in advance of the public meeting and individuals who do not pre-register will be have an opportunity to speak at the end of the public meeting. The public meeting will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the PSC offices, 1701 Prospect Ave., Helena, MT 59620, in the Bollinger Room. The conference is open to the public.

The PSC will accept written comments following the public meeting, with a deadline of **August 19, 2016**, either by mail or delivery to the PSC at 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, MT, 59620, or by email to psc_utilitycomment@mt.gov. After reviewing the 2015 Plan and

considering public comment, the PSC will issue its own written comments identifying any concerns regarding compliance with its rules and “ways to remedy any concerns.” Mont. Code Ann. § 69-8-420(3). A copy of the 2015 Plan is available on the PSC’s website at <http://psc.mt.gov> under Docket N2015.11.91.

For more information about this public meeting or opportunity for written comment, please contact Mike Dalton at (406) 444-6185 or mdalton2@mt.gov.

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